

SIXTH DAY
(Monday, August 18, 1986)

The Senate met at 11:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Barrientos, Blake, Brooks, Brown, Caperton, Edwards, Farabee, Glasgow, Green, Harris, Henderson, Jones, Kothmann, Krier, Leedom, Lyon, McFarland, Mauzy, Montford, Parker, Parmer, Santiesteban, Sarpalius, Sharp, Sims, Traeger, Truan, Uribe, Washington, Whitmire.

Absent: Howard.

A quorum was announced present.

Senator John Traeger offered the invocation as follows:

Father, give us the willingness, the ability and the desire to do what's right during this Session. Amen.

On motion of Senator Brooks and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, August 14, 1986, was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

House Chamber
August 18, 1986

HONORABLE W. P. HOBBY
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SIR: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H.B. 13, Relating to the removal, suspension, or expulsion of a public school student; to discipline management in public schools; and to the excused absence of certain public school students.

Respectfully,

BETTY MURRAY, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Senator Harris submitted the following report for the Committee on Economic Development:

S.B. 10 (Amended)
S.J.R. 4

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

S.B. 20 by Brown State Affairs
Relating to a limit on the number of persons employed by a state agency.

S.B. 21 by Leedom State Affairs
Relating to the transportation allowance for state employees; amending Section 13, Article V, Chapter 980, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985.

S.B. 22 by Leedom State Affairs
Relating to eligibility for coverage and state premium contributions under the Texas employees group insurance plan.

S.B. 23 by Leedom State Affairs
Relating to per diem allowances for state employees; amending Section 14, Article V, Chapter 980, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985.

S.B. 24 by Leedom, Sims State Affairs
Relating to the creation and duties of the Services Management Commission.

HOUSE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill received from the House was read the first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

H.B. 13, To Committee on Education.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8

Senator Krier offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Brigadier General Belisario D. J. Flores of San Antonio retired on July 22, 1986, after 42 years of distinguished military service to his state and country; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his retirement, General Flores had served since 1971 as assistant adjutant general and was responsible for the executive management of all Texas Air National Guard units; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was born in Eagle Pass, and he attended San Antonio Technical High School, graduating in 1944; and

WHEREAS, He then enlisted in the United States Army Reserve Corps, was called to active duty at Fort Hood in 1945, and was released from active duty one year later with the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS, General Flores later attended San Antonio College before transferring to St. Mary's University, where he received a degree in marketing in 1950; he also was graduated from its ROTC program with the rank of second lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, In 1951, he began another two-year active tour of duty, which included nine months of meritorious combat service in Korea and a promotion to the rank of first lieutenant in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, General Flores was transferred from the army to the United States Air Force in 1955; for the next 16 years he served the Air National Guard as supply officer, accounting and finance officer, comptroller and squadron commander; and

WHEREAS, In 1971, after having attained the rank of colonel, this dedicated military man was appointed assistant adjutant general; three years later, his commendable service in this position led to his promotion to the high rank of brigadier general; and

WHEREAS, Recognized as an expert in many areas of military management and strategy, General Flores acquired his extensive knowledge through the many demanding training courses and seminars in which he actively participated; and

WHEREAS, He served as chairman of the Air Force Communications Command's Reserve and Guard Policy Council from 1977 to 1979 and was frequently called upon to represent the National Guard Bureau at national conferences on minority affairs; and

WHEREAS, General Flores has been honored on many occasions for his exemplary military record; among the prestigious decorations awarded to him have been the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, the Korean Service Medal with Two Bronze Stars, the United Nations Service Medal and the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, This fine citizen has also supported the work of many professional and community organizations; he has been a member of the American G.I. Forum, the Air Force Association, the National Guard Associations of Texas and the United States and the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and

WHEREAS, Other worthy groups to which he has devoted his efforts include the Pan-American Optimist Club, the League of United Latin American Citizens and Rotary International; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 69th Legislature of the State of Texas, 2nd Called Session, hereby commend Brigadier General Belisario D. J. Flores on his outstanding tenure of military service to his state and country and extend to him best wishes for many happy years of retirement; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for General Flores as a token of esteem from the Texas Legislature.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Truan and by unanimous consent, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

On motion of Senator Krier and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted viva voce vote.

GUEST PRESENTED

The President appointed Senators Krier, Traeger, Brooks, Santiesteban and Truan to escort General Flores to the President's rostrum.

The President presented General Flores an enrolled copy of S.C.R. 8, and introduced him to the Senate.

General Flores expressed his appreciation to his staff and the Members of the Senate for their years of friendship.

SENATE RESOLUTION 14

Senator Barrientos offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The dedication Ruth Lewis has exhibited in performing her work for the Texas Senate during a period spanning more than 20 years is most worthy of recognition and appreciation as she retires effective August 31, 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis first applied her abilities for the Senate as a receptionist in 1963 and returned to that position in 1965 and 1967; her efficiency and spirit of cooperation and helpfulness as a receptionist were much appreciated by all who worked and came in contact with her; and

WHEREAS, After an absence of 10 years, Ruth returned to the Senate to work full time in the Sergeant-at-Arms office in November, 1977; she transferred to Senate Inventory August 31, 1978, and has been a valued employee in that office since her first day; and

WHEREAS, In the course of more than eight years in Senate Inventory, the promptness, genuine warmth, and good humor Mrs. Lewis has displayed in serving Senate staffers has been an invaluable asset to the department; and

WHEREAS, With her fellow employees, Ruth Lewis is a special favorite; she goes quietly about her work with never an unkind word about anyone and has all the attributes of a true friend; and

WHEREAS, An avid reader who also enjoys golf, Mrs. Lewis looks forward to her retirement years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 69th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, express sincere appreciation to Mrs. Ruth Lewis for more than 10 years of loyal service to the Senate; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as a token of high regard and esteem from the Texas Senate.

The resolution was read and was adopted viva voce vote.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 5
ON SECOND READING**

Senator Sharp asked unanimous consent to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration at this time:

C.S.S.C.R. 5, Memorializing Congress of the United States to pass and send to the President an act imposing an import fee on crude oil and petroleum products imported into the United States.

There was objection.

Senator Sharp then moved to suspend the regular order of business and take up C.S.S.C.R. 5 for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 3.

Yeas: Barrientos, Blake, Brooks, Brown, Caperton, Edwards, Farabee, Glasgow, Green, Harris, Jones, Kothmann, Krier, Leedom, McFarland, Montford, Parmer, Santiesteban, Sarpalius, Sharp, Sims, Traeger, Truan, Uribe, Whitmire.

Nays: Mauzy, Parker, Washington.

Absent: Henderson, Howard, Lyon.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 2.

Yeas: Barrientos, Blake, Brooks, Brown, Caperton, Edwards, Farabee, Glasgow, Green, Harris, Jones, Kothmann, Krier, Leedom, McFarland, Montford, Parmer, Santiesteban, Sarpalius, Sharp, Sims, Traeger, Truan, Uribe, Washington, Whitmire.

Nays: Mauzy, Parker.

Absent: Henderson, Howard, Lyon.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

S.R. 15 - By Brooks: Memorial resolution for E. L. Harbuck.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Brooks, the Senate at 11:58 o'clock a.m. adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

**SEVENTH DAY
(Tuesday, August 19, 1986)**

The Senate met at 11:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.